

NOW FIFTY YEARS

Since Great "Soo" Canal Was Opened.

ANNIVERSARY IS CELEBRATED

Great Connecting Link Between Lake Superior and Lower Lakes the Busiest Waterway in the World—Has Operated Since Year of 1855.

Sault Ste. Marie, Mich., Aug. 2.—The Sault Ste. Marie ship canal, the 50th anniversary of the opening of which was celebrated today, was completed by the state of Michigan in 1855. This ship canal, the connecting link between Lake Superior and the lower lakes, was transferred to the United States government in 1870. Since the government took charge of the waterway, vast improvements have been undertaken, the canal having been widened and deepened several times. It is now considered the busiest of the world's artificial waterways.

In 1808 the lock erected by this state was destroyed by excavations for the present Poe lock, which is the largest in the world. It is 800 feet long and 100 feet wide with a water depth of 22 feet on the sills.

The Weitzel lock, which was made necessary by the increased traffic and is still in operation, is 515 feet long. The traffic way of the Soo canal, both American and Canadian, during 1904 was 32,000,000 net tons, 27,000,000 of which were through the American canal. The traffic of the Suez canal in 1904 was 22,000,000 net tons. This represented a large part of the commerce of Europe, Asia and some of that between the United States and Asia. The Soo canal has developed the vast mineral wealth of the Lake Superior region and has furnished a cheap and convenient outlet for the transportation of grain, flour and other products to the east and to Europe.

It has helped to build up great industrial centers at Detroit, Cleveland and Buffalo, has aided in making Pittsburgh the greatest iron and steel center

in the world and has contributed materially toward giving the United States primacy in the production of iron, steel and copper. Another lock must be built and the ship canal above the locks must be widened because of the great development of the ore and grain traffic of the northwest.

COLUMBIA RESCUES FISH BOAT.

Yesterday while the steamer Columbia was crossing the bar the captain received a hail from two men in a fishing boat. The tide was ebbing at the time, and although the bar was smooth the occupants had no desire to go to sea, which they would have done had not the Columbia given them a line and towed them up to the city. The incident afforded considerable excitement for the passengers.

NEWS OF WATER FRONT.

Items of General Interest Picked Up Along the Docks.

Steamer Telegraph, which was due here yesterday was delayed by fog at Port Angeles and while she was expected late last night was not reported in at an early hour this morning.

American barkentine Echo cleared at the custom house yesterday for Talital Chile, with a cargo of 709,116 feet of lumber, loaded at the Knappton mill. The cargo is valued at \$8,853.60.

COURTHOUSE BURNS.

Waterville, Wash., Aug. 2.—Fire has completely destroyed the courthouse here. The fire was presumably caused by crossed electric light wires. The loss is \$15,000 and about \$6,000 of insurance is carried.

FURNITURE PURCHASED.

Will Madison and Otto Mikkelsen returned last night from Portland, where they spent the last two days buying furniture for their new rooming house which they are about to open in the Page block.

Mr. and Mrs. Emil Held returned from Portland last evening after Mrs. Held had consulted several physicians. She is slightly improved.

H. B. Van Dusen, state fish warden, returned last night from a trip to the hatcheries at Wallowa.

Have you heard of Gunn?

TWENTY DOLLARS

Remarkable Reward Offered For The Solution of a Puzzle.

SHOULD COMMAND ATTENTION

Eilers' Piano House Plans an Unusual Advertising Test—Possesses Merit—Of Vital Concern to You—Exceptional Offer Appended Herewith.

To each and every person who brings this "ad" to our store, Nos. 422 and 424 Commercial street, opposite Sherman's Transfer, we will present the famous Katzenjammer puzzle without imposing any conditions or limitations, except that only one puzzle will be given to each family.

Furthermore, we will give a twenty dollar (\$20) due bill to each person solving this puzzle, which shall apply as first payment toward the purchase price of any piano we may handle.

The puzzle consists of four small cubes, in colors, with diamond, heart, club and spade spots on the several faces, and the proper arrangement of its blocks for the solution is simple—when you know how. It has been done. Can you do it? There is twenty dollars (\$20) in it.

Remember the conditions: Bring this "ad" to

EILERS' PIANO HOUSE, 422 and 424 Commercial street. A. R. CYRUS, Local Manager. F. N. SMITH, Special Agent. Store open evenings.

"BOSS" TWEED'S SON KILLS HIMSELF

Middletown, Conn., Aug. 2.—Through a return filed by an undertaker at the office of the town clerk today the fact became public that on July 14, George W. Tweed, the son of the late William M. Tweed of New York, known as "Boss" Tweed, committed suicide by jumping from the veranda of a Connecticut hospital for the insane.

ELKS GO TO PORTLAND.

The committee appointed by Astoria lodge of Elks to secure transportation to Portland for Elks' day at the fair have made arrangements with Captain U. B. Scott of the Telegraph. The steamer will leave Astoria on the morning of the day, arriving in Portland in time for the parade, returning will leave Portland at 11 o'clock at night, arriving in Astoria early the next morning. It is expected that about 300 will attend the excursion. It is for members and their families.

CROW LOSES HIS WIFE.

Hillsboro, Ore., Aug. 2.—Judge McBride yesterday heard the testimony in the suit of Nina Crow against C. T. Crow, and granted plaintiff a decree on the ground of cruel and inhuman treatment and habitual gross drunkenness. The parties were married in Polk county 15 years ago, and after the marriage Crow occupied the pulpit of the United Evangelical church. He was later transferred to Hillsboro, and after occupying the pulpit here for a brief period, engaged in the wood business with good success. Two years ago he took to drinking and became a confirmed drunkard. He was an excellent business man, and strictly honest, his appetite for liquor being the only fault against him. Creditors have secured all of his earthly possessions and he is now a "wanderer on earth."

Other divorcees granted by Judge McBride were Daisy Byrne against John Byrne, parties being residents of Beaverton. Angeline E. Watson of Portland was granted a decree from Charles A. Watson on the ground of desertion.

BALCLUTHA AT 'FRISCO.

San Francisco, Aug. 2.—The Alaska Packers' association ship Balclutha, which arrived today, reports passing a ship's mast, entangled with rigging, which may have belonged to the bark Servia. No accident known occurred to the Servia, but she was overdue at Karluk July 16. The Balclutha went ashore at Goose island several months ago, but was unloaded and wintered at Altag and has come here for repairs.

PARPOLA FUNERAL.

The funeral of the infant son of Mr. and Mrs. John Parpola of Nasel was held yesterday afternoon from Pohl's undertaking parlors. The body was brought over from Nasel. The interment was at Greenwood.

BASEBALL SCORES.

Seattle, Aug. 2.—Seattle 3, Los Angeles 1. Tacoma, Aug. 2.—Tacoma 1, San Francisco 4. Oakland, Aug. 2.—Oakland 4, Portland 1.

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We have planned to avail ourselves of all space now used for broken lots and remnants of this season's ready-to-wear garments and piece goods, in time to admit of the proper care for our FALL STOCK, soon to arrive.

In order to accomplish this, we have for several weeks been cutting prices to cost and below cost, and this Great Reduction Sale continues until all Remnants and Broken Lots are disposed of.

REMNANTS Of wash goods and other materials at prices so low, that you can afford to put the goods away until you are ready to have them made up.

SHIRT WAISTS of White Lawn and White India Silk reduced to a price at which they will be quickly sold.

LONG LAWN KIMONAS & WRAPPERS, marked down to 50 cents, 75 cents and \$1 each. They will go quickly to the wise shopper.

SHORT WHITE AND COLORED LAWN KIMONAS, at 50 cents.

THE CHILDREN'S JOY. Will be a nice, new flannel or pique Jacket. You will be overjoyed to get them at the prices we have marked on these.

WASH SKIRTS At less than the material can be bought for.

YOU WILL BE GLAD to visit our millinery department up stairs. Everything here must go before the fall stock arrives. Black straws from 10c up. Hats and trimmings at prices that will move them.

BLACK LAWN Just Arrived 10c and 15c the Yard.



LEAVES A DEFICIT

Monthly Comparative Statement of Receipts and Expenditures.

MANY ACCOUNTS DECREASED

Deficit Is Traced to Civil and Miscellaneous, Indian and Pension Expenditures—War and Navy Department Accounts Show Material Economy.

Washington, Aug. 2.—The monthly comparative statement of the government receipts and expenditures shows that for the month of July, 1905, the total receipts were \$49,273,133, and the expenditures \$63,128,700, leaving a deficit for the month of \$13,855,667. For July, 1904, the deficit was \$17,407,728. The receipts from the several sources of revenue are given as follows:

Customs, \$21,390,148, increase as compared with July, 1904, \$2,106,399. Internal revenue, \$21,988,635, increase \$854,631. Miscellaneous, \$6,594,349, decrease \$474,283. The expenditures are given as follows:

Civil and miscellaneous, \$15,658,645; increase, \$755,635. War, \$12,683,554; decrease, \$2,715,866. Navy, \$10,355,124; decrease \$1,408,529. Indians, \$1,648,206; increase, \$690,947. Pensions, \$12,100,086; increase, \$46,906. Public works, \$6,251,632; decrease, \$1,534,210. Interest, \$4,092,247; increase, \$58,879.

COMPTROLLER'S STATEMENT.

Washington, Aug. 2.—The monthly circulation statement issued by the controller of the currency shows that at the close of business July 31, 1905, the total circulation of national bank notes was \$503,971,395, an increase for the year of \$53,574,507 and an increase for the month of \$8,251,589.

The circulation, based on United States bonds, amounted to \$471,615,771, an increase for the year of \$56,590,615, and an increase for the month of \$8,946,357.

The circulation secured by lawful money aggregated \$32,354,366, a decrease for the year of \$2,826,106 and a decrease for the month of \$694,768.

The amount of bonds on deposit to secure circulation was \$476,953,290, and to secure public deposits, \$69,797,300.

MINE CLOSES DOWN.

Famous Bimetallic Property Is Out of Pay Ore.

Butte, Mont., Aug. 2.—A Miner spent from Phillipsburg, Mont., says that the Bimetallic mine has been closed permanently and the pumps pulled from the mine, permitting the property to fill with water. The ore bodies have given out, according to the announcement made yesterday.

The Bimetallic mine has been one of the biggest producers of silver in the northwest, operating in conjunction with the Granite Mountain, the two properties having produced over \$31,000,000 since the discovery of the extensive ore bodies in 1882. The principal stockholders of the Bimetallic are residents of Missouri and New York. Charles D. McClure of St. Louis is the heaviest owner in the mine.

TEACHERS' EXAMINATIONS

Notice is hereby given that the county superintendent of Clatsop county will hold the regular examination of applicants for state and county papers at the courthouse as follows:

For State Papers. Commencing Wednesday, August 9, at 9 o'clock, A. M., and continuing until Saturday, August 12, at 4 o'clock P. M.

Wednesday — Penmanship, history, spelling, algebra, reading, school law. Thursday—Written arithmetic, theory of teaching, grammar, bookkeeping, physics, civil government. Friday—Physiology, geography, mental arithmetic, composition, physical geography.

NOTICE FOR BIDS.

Notice is hereby given that bids for painting the Silvery school building will be received at the office of the school clerk until 10 o'clock a. m., August 7, 1905. Painting to consist of two coats white paint, and the successful bidder will be expected to guarantee his work for a period of five years. The right to reject any and all bids is hereby reserved.

By order of the board. E. Z. FERGUSON, Clerk.



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Saturday—Botany plane geometry, general history, English literature, psychology.

For County Papers. Commencing Wednesday, August 9, at nine o'clock, A. M., and continuing until Friday, August 11, at four o'clock P. M.

First, Second and Third Grade Certificates.

Wednesday—Penmanship, history, orthography, reading.

Thursday—Written arithmetic, theory of teaching, grammar, physiology.

Friday—Geography, mental arithmetic, school law, civil government.

Primary Certificates.

Wednesday—Penmanship, orthography, arithmetic, reading.

Thursday—Art of questioning, theory of teaching, physiology.

EMMA C. WARREN, County Supt. July 28, 1905.

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Here follow some of the wines made by the San Felipe Vineyard. The prices will please you, just as much as the goods. A trial order will convince you.

RIESLING, medium light table wine pints, 40c—quarts, 80c. Case of pints, \$4.00. Case of quarts, \$3.00.

CLARET, special table wine, pints 20c—quarts, 30c. Case of pints, \$3.50. Case of quarts, \$2.50.

ZINFANDEL, clean, light table wine, pints, 20c—quarts, 30c. Case of pints, \$4.00. Case of quarts, \$3.00.

BURGUNDY, fine, extra mild, pints, 25c. quarts, 40c. Case of pints, \$5.00. Case of quarts, \$4.00.

PORT, Old Tawny, rich, light color, pints, 25c.—quarts 40c. Case of pints, \$5.50. Case of quarts, \$4.50.

SHERRY, pale, clean, soft, pints, 25c. quarts, 50c. Case of pints, \$5.50. Case of quarts, \$4.50.

ANGELICA, very mild and rich, pints 25c., quarts, 50c. Case of pints, \$5.50. Case of quarts, \$4.50.

MUSCATEL, very fruity and sweet, pints, 25c., quarts, 50c. Case of pints, \$5.50. Case of quarts, \$4.50.

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